Germany and France. It is asserted that the German Admiral tricked the Chinese com-mander at Kine Chou Bay by giving him his word that the Chinese Emperor had consented to Germany's occupation, and would regard any resistance as an act of rebellion.

To-day's advices confirm Russia's absolute comination of Corea. The contract exacted of Corea by Russia stirulates that M. Alexieff's term as financial adviser and Collector-Genof Customs shall be indefinite, and that he shall have power to appear all customs employees. He has discharged the old employees and will appoint 300 Russians t the best places. Alexieff manages his business at the Russian Legation. He is accompanied b a Russian official who is arranging for the construction of Corean railroads to connect with tho new Russian system in Manchuria.

Shanghai is suffering from a financial panic Seven native bankers absconded and their banks are closed, causing much consternation. The Governor has issued a proclamation for bidding speculation by native bankers.

nic was caused by the shipment of 6,000,000 yen of copper money to Newchwang and a deficiency of copper and silver money. Hankow on the Yangtse is similarly affected. A German firm there has failed, involving many

THIS GOVERNMENT KEPTINFORMED. Diplomatic Agents Closely Watchin

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.-The State Department is showing a passive interest only in the eventful happenings in China. According to the officials of the department the only concern of the Government in the partition of the Flowery Kingdom is the effect the acquisition of Chinese territory would have in determining national predominance in the Pacific, but this is a matter which the department can only watch for the sake of securing valuable information without taking an active stand in regard to it. It is true, however, that the departm eciving advices by cable from the Ministers of also been informed of the progress of events by the American diplomatic representatives at Berlin, London, Paris, and St. Petersburg. A despatch from the United States Minister to

Corea has also been received in regard to the issal of McLeavy Brown, the Englishman who was displaced as director of the Corear Allen says that Mr. Brown was dismissed be e Corean Government was dissatisfied with his services. Mr. Brown had a five years' contract with Corea, and it was because this contract had been violated in his dismissal that the British Government entered a protest and sent vessels to Chemulno to secure his reinstate

One despatch, which probably came by mail. either from Minister Denby at Pekin or from Ambassador White at Berlin, says that the demands of Germany to the Chinese Government contained seven specifications. The de mand was based on the murder of two German missionaries. The intention to secure redres for the murders was the excuse given by Ger nany in landing troops on Chinese territory Of the seven specifications laid down in the German ultimatum the principal arthese: The payment of an indemnity of \$200,000; the granting of railway concession to German subjects in Shap-Tung province: the degradation and punishment of the Vicero

degradation and punishment of the Viceroy of the province in which the murders occurred, and a promise of future protection of German subjects and properly interests in China. It is stated in the ultimatum that Germany will hold Klao-Chou Peninsula provisionally until these demands have been complied with.

Nearly all the official advices which the department has received indicate that the diplomatic representatives of the United States believe that the situation has been very much exaggrated in the newspapers. Their reports show that nothing definite has developed to make it apparent what the end will probably be. The situation is very clouded, but some of the American envoys are inclined to doubt that there is any intention on the part of European nations to divide up the Chinese empire. They have been unable to ascertain anything to confirm the reports of international alliances. The general trend of opinion among the diplomatic officers who are keeping the State Department informed of what they learn is that England, Japan, Russia, and France are watching the operations of the Germans without any intention of bringing about a partition unless Germany really intends to permanently occupy the territory which has been seized to secure the payment of indemnity for the murder of missionaries. One despatch to the department says that China will pay the indemnity and perhaps satisfy the other demands of the Germans.

NO TRUTH IN THE REPORT. They Knew Nothing at Ottawa About Sending

Sarines and Gunners to the Pacific Coast. OTTAWA, Dec. 30.-In reference to the report dian Pacific Railway authorities had been noti fied by the Canadian Government to hold themselves in readiness to transport 3,500 engineers selves in readiness to transport 3,500 engineers, gunners, and marines from Montreal to the Pacific coast, it is learned that there is no truth in the matter. The under Secretary of the State Department said to-day it was simply another of the sensational fictions emanating from some point outside the capital, but dated from Ottawa to give it an official aspect. The war scare in the Orient has probably furnished some enterprising individual with an opportunity to invent a story.

No Troop Transports Needed.

MONTREAL, Dec. 30 .- Vice-President Shaugh messy of the Canadian Pacific Railroad, when asked this morning regarding the report from Shanshai that the British Admiralty has re-quested the service of the company's Pacific steamships, Empress of India, Empress of China, and Empress of Japan, for the purpose of trans-porting troops, denied that there was truth in

Bumers of War Send Wheat Up.

War rumors from Europe caused a sharp advance in the price of wheat on the curb yesterday after the close of business on the Produce Exchange. The May future, which had closed at 93's cents a bushel, advanced to 94's cents on the curb on transactions of about 50,000 bushels. Those who had wheat were not inclined to sell in view of the possibility of a war scare that might put up the price several cents over night.

MARSH'S RECORD OF THIEVERY. The Jersey City Express Robber Identified as

The Jersey City police are hunting up the record of Harry Marsh, who was arrested on Wednesday morning for stealing a suit of clothes from an Adams Express Company's car and who is believed to have been systematically robbing the company for several months. The prisoner was identified yesterday as the man who stole a transit and level worth \$375 and a level and tripod worth \$150 from the office of the Eric Railway Company's engineering department has July. He walked into the office one day and bade a cheery good morning to some of the attaches who were in the outer room. Then he stepped into the instrument room and introduced himself to the man in charge as a new assistant. He gave the man a cigar, chatted with him a few minutes, and, picking up the instruments, walked off with them.

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When Marsh was searched a silver card case, aliver match box and a pocketbook were found in his possession. The card case contained cards of R. K. Miner, Captain of the steamer City of Lowell. Capt. Miner visited Police Headquariers yesterday and identified the articles as his. He said he found the thief in his cabin last Tuesday and asked him what he was doing there. The thief replied that he had a cigar hill to collect, and hi frank manner so impressed Capt. Miner that he directed him to the steward's office. The police have no doubt now that Marsh is John J. Glynn, who was convicted in 1850 of stealing a mail bag from a Central Rairoad train and served two years in State prison. Detective Morris yesterday recovered two coats and a typewriting machine which Marsh had stolen and left with the porter at the Desbrosses street ferry on this side to be called for. Marsh has been committed to await the action of the Grand Jury, but will be detained at headquarters until the police complete their investigation.

The Proposed Removal of the State Camp.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Dec. 30.-Gen. Flagler, Chief of Ordnance of New York State, is not in favor of transferring the State Camp of Instruc rayor of transferring the State Camp of Instruc-tion from Peckskill to Grindstone Island, in the St. Lawrence River. He has taken much inter-est in the discussion, but does not feel that an island would be all place for a military camp. Grindstone is doubly objectionable on account of its being so ar removed from the main begly of the State troops in Greater New York, and he points out that it would cost more to transport a company from the Falls to Grindstone than it now does to carry a regiment from New York to Peckskill.

MONKS COLLARS O'BRIEN SHARES A PIST IN THE PACE OF THE DOCK BOARD'S PRESIDENT.

John Monks & Son Mayo Been Gotting Cor tracts for Private Becks-O'Brien Invitigated, and Pather and Son Make a Sec at the East Meeting of Strong's Book Board It was the last regular meeting of Mayor Strong's Dock Board. When President O'Brie was about to deciare the board adjourned John Monks, Jr., a son of Commissioner Monks and a member of the dock-building firm of John

Monks & Son, sprang from the chair he had been sitting on,
"One moment," he cried. "If the Commi sioners will allow me, I would like to say,

"But this board is adjourned, young man, said Commissioner Einstein. "We cannot lis ten to you." "I have but a word to say," persisted My

Monks. "I understand that Gen. O'Brien has ordered an investigation into my private business. I was so told by Mr. Einstein, Mr. Freene, the Chief Engineer, and by my father Now, I would like to know why this was done.

"And I would like to know what business a public officer has to meddle with the private affair of any man," put in Monks the elder.

"Be quiet father," said the young man, "This is my affair, not yours," and he turned again to Gen. O'Brien and repeated the question.

"I did not order an investigation into your private affairs," said Gen. O'Brien. "I merely asked the Engineer-in-Chief to report to me the number of contracts awarded in recent years to John Monks & Son for work on docks not owned by the city. I had received a number of complaints from other dock contractors to the effect that Commissioner Monks was using his official place to boom the business of your firm. That was the extent of the investigation I made."

"You did this without consulting me!" cried Commissioner Monks.

"I felt that it was my duty as a public officer to investigate these complaints, replied the President. "The investigation was such as any man in my position should make. Further than that I have nothing to say."

"Now that you have made it, I would like to ask you one question, said young Mr. Monks. "Will you spread the results of your investigation upon the public records of this board!"

"I'll do nothing of the kind," replied Gen. O'Brien. "This board stands adjourned."

"I have nothing further to say, then," said young Mr. Monks, and he withdrew from the room.

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"But I have some more to say to you," roared the father, turning on Gen. O'Brien fiercely.

"You have blackened my character, and I demand a retraction!"

Gen. O'Brien arose from his chair. "I was in hopes that the closing hours of this board would pass peacefully," he said.

Mr. Monks sprang to his feet, and, reaching out his right hand, grasped the lapel of Gen. O'Brien's coat. His left hand was clinched and his eyes blaxed with anger.

"You have injured my character!" he shouted, shaking his left fist in Gen. O'Brien's face. "I have never received such treatment from any man before!"

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"This board stands adjourned," said the President without raising his voice, and then he walked toward his private office.

"That man has done me a great injury!" roared Commissioner Monks, pointing a trembling finger at the retreating form of President O'Brien. The he left the room abruvity.

Having reached his office, he made a statement in which he charged Gen. O'Brien with seeking to ruin the reputation for honesty which he had built up during forty years of active business life in New York. He went on to say that Gen. O'Brien, whom he characterized as a "vain man," had sought to rule the Dock Board with a high hand and had done many things without consulting his colleagues. The Board of Consulting Engineers was maintained, Mr. Monks said, at an expense of about \$6,000 a year for no purpose whatever other than to pander to the vanity of Gen. O'Brien. "I never was invited to a session of that board nor was Mr. Einstein or Engineer Greene," concluded Mr. Menks.

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Gen. O'Brien said that owing to complaints made by contractors, he asked Engineer Greene to look up the number of contracts awarded to all firms for work on private piers which has to be done under the supervision of the Dock Board with a view to finding out just what proportion of the whole number had been given to John Monks & Son. Mr. Greene reported that in 1894, which was the year previous to the appointment of Mr. Monks as Dock Commissioner, the firm bearing his name had received seven contracts. From May 1, 1896, to May 1, 1897, they had received eighteen contracts, and during the months of Msy, June, and July of this year they get eleven of the twenty-nine private contracts awarded. Gen. O'Brien said that the result of the investigation would never have been made public had not young Mr. Monks

not young Mr. Monks started the row during the meeting.

Mr. Monks has stated publicly on several oc-casions that he is no longer a member of the firm of John Monks & Son, and that he retired from it some time before he became a Dock Commissioner.

POLICE FAREWELL CALLS.

Many Bluecoats at Headquarters -- Some Who

ritation on Wednesday to the force to come to see them before New Year's. It went out on general order from the Chief. The Commis ioners were mentioned by name, all except Parker. As a result his was the only office in the building that was empty. A procession of bluecoats went in and out at the other Cor nissioners' rooms, shaking hands and bidding them good-by. Some of them were unfeign edly sorry; a few made it a party call. To-day the rest will come. The invitation holds got until to-night, when the board adjourns for good and all, having filled the last vacancy is the ranks and issued its report for Mayor

Strong's term. A hundred policemen, more or less, came reluctantly in obedience to a legal summons.
The board had given notice that it would sit
and decide cases offinand to save its successor
the trouble of reading all the evidence. The
men didn't like the scheme, and sudden illness
scized the force. Policemen who came in from
the dog watch in the best of health were
stricken suddenly and mysteriously down and
sent word to Headquarters that they were ill.
They were in every case men who should have
come to answer charges. Commissioners
Smith and Moss frowned as the record of the
mysterious aliments lengthened, and ordered
that police surgeons be sent at once to the
homes of the sick to see what alied them. It
turned out to be mostly inflammation of the
bowels. The darker was the policeman's case
the worse was the attack. When Policeman
Thaddeus Murphy's case was reached and the
familiar answer was returned a woman in black
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Commissioner Smith rapped for order and demanded the woman's business.

"He killed my brother," she said defiantly, Murphy was accused of clubbling Barkeeper McCarthy, who died in Bellevue Hospital.

Col. Smith waved her off. A few policemen came up and confessed to wrongdoing. The board lett'hem off. Then the case of Patrolman John Shay was called. He was charged with calling Policeman Moran vile names. Shay was sick. He was taken suddenly ill at midnight, reported his roundsman.

"This is too much." said Mr. Moss in deep disguest. "Step up here, Moran."

Moran stepped up and deposed that Shay had said what was charged. The roundsman said that he heard it. The two Commissioners looked meaningly at each other.

"Iwenty days for Shay," announced Col. Smith. It will come out of Shay's next month's pay unless he appeals to the courts.

Most of the sick once escaped, however. Those who faced the music and owned up escaped, too. Policeman Austen was acculted of a charge of failing to prevent a burglary in a furrier's shop in 125th street. In the window stood a Tay figure clothed in a \$600 sealskin sacque. The window was broken and the sacque taken. The policeman discovered the theft, but the furrier claimed that he should have come upon the thieves at work. It would take any man half an hour to unbutton that sacque and get if through the window he said. "Half an hour in may colled President Moss." How many tuttons were there on it!"

"Seven," said the furrier.

The board smiled and acquitted the patrolman.

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The charge against Policeman Woodley, accused of clubbing James Kennedy on Nov. 25 and thereby contributing to his death, was disvissed. Kennedy's skull was shown to have been fractured before.

Not Money Enough Provided to Light the Streets When the bids for the lighting of the public streets and parks for 1898 were footed streets and parks for 1898 were footed up yes-terday in the Public Works Department it was found that the aggregate was \$106,234 more than the appropriation. The amount of the ap-propriation is \$1,290,360 and the gross total of the bids is \$1,396,584. The deficiency will be provided for by the new Board of Estimate.

The Transfer of Breeklyn's Deposits To-Bay The deposits in various banks, aggregating about \$9,000,000, to the credit of the city of Brooklyn, will be turned over by check to-day to Comptroller-elect Coler, and on Monday he will deposit the money in the same banks and leave it there until a permanent plan for the distribution of these deposits has been adopted.

WARING'S LAST REQUEST REPUSED. | DINNER TO MAYOR STRONG No Asked for Ricciton Section Money to Mis Successor Remove Scient.

The Board of Estimate, as it is constituted at present, met for the last time in the Mayor's office yesterday, and appropriated \$160,000 for laying out the small parks at Houston, Stanton Sheriff, and Pitt streets; \$4,000 for the legal expenses of former Police Justice Divver, incurred in defending himself successfully against charges brought by Lawyer William H. Hale; \$30,000 for the improvement of Crotona Park, and \$150,000 for a new bridge across the Bronx from Woodlawn station to Williamsbridge

and \$100,000 for a new triuge across the second from Woodlawn station to Williamsbridge Heights.

Col. Waring asked the board to transfer \$25,000 from the appropriation made for the Bureau of Elections to the show and foe fund of his department to provide for the removal of any snow which may fall before Monday.

"Do you think it will snow before noon on Saturday, Colonel?" asked Mayor Strong inno-

cently.

The Street Cleaning Commissioner tooked out of the window. "No, hardly before that time." he answered, "but if a storm should set in on Saturday night or on Sunday my successor would find himself in a bad fix." "You seem to be showing considerable solicitude for your successor," remarked Comptroller Fitch. "I don't see why you should want to take the woes and sorrows of other people upon yourself."

yourself. "Oh. I have been doing that all my life," retoted Col. Waring.
The board decided that the application made
by Col. Waring was irregular, and the members
refused to vote for the transfer.
"Very well," said the Colonel. "You will
bear me witness that I have done my best to
provide for my successor." bear me withess that I may provide for my successor." "I will do nothing of the kind," said the Mayor. "You can't expect to put the re-sponsibility on this board when you come her with an irregular request."

RICHMOND COUNTY CANVASS. President Cremwell's Certificate Balayed an Order of Justice Van Wyck.

The Richmond County Board of Canvass was resterday enjoined by an order of Su delivering the certificates of the vote for the President of the borough of Richmond to the New York Police Board in accordance with the decision of the Appellate Court. The borough may be without an executive head on the fire of the new year, owing to the contest between Dr. John L. Feeny, Dem., and George Cron well, Rep. The Appellate Court on Tuesday fecided, on a review of the protested and void ballots, that Mr. Cromwell was elected by 17 majority. Yesterday the Board of Canvassers. in compliance with the mandamus of the court. organised in Richmond at 1 o'clock. The cision was read. It ordered the board to add

cision was read. It ordered the board to add a net total of 36 to the vote of Mr. Cromwell, which would bring his total up to 5,468 votes, and 22 to that of Dr. Feeny, making his net vote 5,446.

The board had not got beyond the filling in of the certificates when the lawyers for Dr. Feeny served a stay on them in the shape of a notice of an appeal from the decision to the Court of Appeals. There was no boud attached and Lawyer John S. Davenport, representing Mr. Cromwell, asserted that the statement of the Clerk of the court that he had the money on deposit was not sufficient and invalidated the paper.

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The attorneys agreed to take the case before Judge Cullen, and if he decided that the stay was a good one, the certificates were to be retained by the board, and if not, they were to be turned over to the New York Police Board. A telephone message to Judge Cullen brought the answer that he would not have anything to do with the case. While the discussion was on the lawyers brought word that Justice Van Wyck had issued an order staying all action by the board. The order was secured by Prof. Collin. Mr. Cromwell's lawyers fought to prevent the reception of it, but the board decided to take a recess until later in the evening and receive the paper.

SLATE FOR BIG BROOKLYN JOBS. How the Commissioners and Deputy Commi

This was given out at the Willoughby street eadquarters in Brooklyn yesterday as the slate for the Greater New York appointments:

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Police Commissioner of Parks—George V. Brower.
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Commissioner of Sewers—James Kane.
Commissioner of Bridges—John L. Shes.,
Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments—Arthur C. Salmon and Thomas J. Patterson.
Commissioner of Public Charities—Adelph
Simis, Jr.
Commissioner of Buildings—Daniel Ryan.
Deputy Fire Commissioner of James H. Tully.
Deputy Commissioner of Water Supply—James
Moffett.
Deputy Commissioner of Highways—The

Deputy Commissioner of Highways—Thomas L. Farrell. R. Farrell.

Deputy Commissioner of Street Cleaning—

Henry Hesterberg.

Deputy Commissioner of Sewers—William Brennan.

Deputy Commissioner of Public Buildings,
Lighting and Supplies—William Walton.

Deputy Commissioner of Bridges—Harry

eam. Deputy Commissioner of Charities—Charles J. Henry.

Deputy Commissioner of Corrections—James
J. Kerwin.

Comparation Counsel—Almet F. enks. Chief of Brooklyn Bureau of Elections—George Assessors-John Delmar and Thomas A. Wil-

PLUMS FOR BROOKLYN DEMOCRATA Shoriff Frank D. Creamer Will Have One Re publican on His Staff.

Sheriff-elect Frank D. Creamer of Kings ounty yesterday announced his appointments as follows:

Under Sheriff, Hugh McLaughlin; Chief Clerk William F. Bogenschutz; Equity Clerk, William McPhilliamy; Warden, Richard Bergen; Dep uty Warden, John Wilson, Keepers-Martin Kane, Third district; Ed J. Cleary. Fourth dis rict; Edward Smith, Ninth district. Book keeper, Edward McGrath, Eighteenth distric Deputy Sheriffs-Garrettson Morris, Seventi district; John J. Bradley, Fourteenth district william Cunningham, Tenth district, and John P. Beardall, Eighteenth district, Matrons-Mrs, Buckley and Miss Fanny Hawley, McPhilliamy is the only Republican on the list. He has served as equity clerk under Sheriff Buttling, and, it is understood, has been retained as a compliment to the latter, and also out of consideration for his "money gathering" qualities.

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Register-elect Haggerty has reappointed William Barre deputy register. Mr. Barre has been in the service of the city for over fifty years, and is a Democrat.

District Attorney-elect Marean has appointed Arthur H. Walkley chief clork in the office. Mr. Walkley served in this capacity under District Attorney Ridgway.

BRIDGE TRUSTEES WIND UP. Brooklyn Gets Two-Thirds of the \$125.00

The final meeting of the Brooklyn bridge trustees was held yesterday, and Mayors Stron and Wurster and all the other members were or hand. After all the outstanding claims had

hand. After all the outstanding claims had been settled there was a surplus of \$125,000, of which Brooklyn will get two-thirds and New York one-third.

On the recommendation of Superintendent Martin, the trustees refused to grant the application of a fireworks commany for permission to fire a salute of 100 bombs from the bridge at tonight's celebration. It was decided to make the salaries of the bridge policemen identical with those of the regular Brooklyn force.

The trustees wound up the business by adopting resolutions eulogistic of the two Mayors and of President Berri for their faithful and valuable services.

FIREMEN THANK THE MATOR.

in Huminated Set of Resolutions from the Fire men's Mutual Benefit Association.

One hundred firemen in uniform invaded the City Hall yesterday and presented to Mayor Strong an illuminated set of resolutions passed by the Firemen's Mutual Benefit Ass and thanking him for all that he had done for and thanking him for all that he had done for the firemen during the three years of his ad-ministration. James Halligan of 54 engine made the presentation speech.

In his reply the Mayor said that he was a great admirer of the firemen, and that he hoped a Mayor's modal would be presented every year hereafter to some hrave fireman who had risked his life to save the lives of others. He also promised to hang the resolutions in the best room in his house.

For the New District Attorney to Begin On. District Attorney Olcott put half a doze cierks to work yesterday making up an index of criminal cases pending. This index will be turned over to the new District Attorney turned over to the new District Attorney. There are twenty-six murder indictments, most of them old cases, and forty-six indictments for mansisughter, including those based on the college of the Irel and building and of the factory building in Forsyth street. Aside from these cases there are over 600 indictments which charge robbery, berglary, keeping disorderly houses or bucket shops, libel, arson, blackmail, grand larceny and assault.

HIS HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS GIVE

HIM A LOVING CUP. dener Parker and Sup Constable Not On It, Though-Sen. Colli

Makes the Presentation Speech-Thooders Roccovelt Writes in Praise of Mayer Strong Mayor Strong was the guest of honor at a din er given by fifty-two city officials and ex-offi cials at the Astoria last night. Among them were Police Commissioner Avery D. Andrews Tax Commissioner Edward P. Barker, William Brookfield, Henry W. Cannon, Commissioner of Public Works Collis, Col. S. V. R. Cruger, City Magistrate Job Hedges, City Chamberlain Anson G. McCook, Francis M. Scott, Col. George E. Waring, President Charles G. Wilson of the Health Department, and Robert J. Wright.
Police Commissioner Parker and Superin

tendent of Buildings Constable were not present and their names were not engraved on the lov ing cup which was presented to Mayor Strong during the evening. This loving cup, the gift o the heads of departments and other office holders, is of silver, and almost a foot high Around the base of the cup, in gold letters, is the inscription: "To Mayor William L. Strong from his friends and associates in the city Gov-ernment, 1895-1897." On the front of the cup, in alsed gold, is the city coat of arms; on the other side the Mayor's monogram. On the bottom of the cup and hidden from view are engraved the names of the Mayor's hosts at last night's ban Gen. Collis, on behalf of his associates, made

the presentation speech. He said: "This is a great occasion. It is not the ordi-nary semi-official festivity at which mapy of us have been present during the past three years. It is a family gathering, and ' where Macgregor

sits is the head of the table.'
"This evening we begin to tell the closing hours of a great epoch. These are the expiring moments of the autonomy of the Empire City of the United States. During the last three years of her life she has been cared for by our beloved guest, Mayor William L. Strong. There lives no intelligent and honest man who will not confess that morally, physically and sanitarily New York is a better city to live in now than she was

York is a better city to live in now than she was three years ago.

"We are apt to congratulate ourselves that we all had something to do with it; perhaps we had. But of what avail would your efforts have been but for the intelligent counsel and sterling honesty, patriotism, and civic pride of him who is our chief? We assemble here this evening confessing that of whatever credit or glory shall attach to the history of the municipal government since Jan. 1, 1895, he must be the principal beneficiary.

"William L. Strong, I have the very pleasant duty assigned to me of expressing to you not

"William L. Strong, I have the very pleasant duty assigned to me of expressing to you not only the respect, not only the regard, but the affections, the love of your friends and associates in office, whom I know you are glad to see around you this evening. They instruct me to say that this is only an official parting. They will wear you in their hearts while they live, and to-morrow, though the official knot will be untied, other tenderer cords will remain unsavered.

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"As a little souvenir of this occasion, which may serve to remind you and your son of the pleasant scene now passing, they ask you to accept this foving cup. It comes from the fond hearts of sincere friends, and they hope their faces may be engraven as indelibly upon your memory as are their names upon this little plece of silver and gold.
"Mayor Strong, the last, and may I say, gentlemen, the best Mayor of the old city of New York, in the name of your friends and associates in office, I drink your health, long life and happiness."

Mayor Strong responded in a brief speech of thanks, and from that time on acted as toastmaster; empowered to call on anybody to make a speech. Not a man escaped.
The following letter from Assistant Secretary of the Navy Theodore Hoosevelt was read by Gen. Collis and loudly applauded:
"My DEAR MAYOR: I shall not be able to get on to the dinner to you, so I must write just a line to say what a keen pleasure it is to me to have been associated for two yoars with the very best Government New York has had within the memory of any man now living. No half century has done as much for New York as you have done by your administration, and I am glad to see that people are now realizing it. Faithfully yours,

GET A TIP TO RESIGN. ome of the District Attorney's Staff Will Take

It and Some Won't. All of the attachés of the District Attorney's office were informed yesterday that Asa Bird Gardiner, the incoming District Attorney, would be pleased to receive their resignation This information was conveyed to them by As sistant District Attorney Unger. It caused a panic among the thirty-six subporns servers attached to the office, many of whom say they are war veterans and cannot be dismissed without cause. Others said that they were

without cause. Others said that they were civil service appointees.

Assistant District Attorney Rosalsky immediately sat down and wrote out his resignation, which he handed to District Attorney Olcott. Then Mr. Rosalsky said: "Now I'm happy. To the victor belongs the spoils. I'm a Republican, and I know when a Democrat becomes my boss he wants my job for one of his party."

It was stated that Assistant District Attorney. It was stated that Assistant District Attor ney Joseph Walsh was the only other perso connected with the office who took Mr. Unger'

tip to resign.

All of the assistants, together with the clerks All of the assistants, together with the cie stenographers, and subpens servers, have cided to appear at the office as usual on M day. It was said yesterday that Mr. Gard-had decided to retain in office the senior sistant District Attorney, David Mitchell,

EMPLOYEES OF THE OLD CITIES To Koop Their Present Jobs Until Their Su

The Mayors of the cities to be included in the consolidation and County Judge Moore of Queens met in the City Hall yesterday and adopted a resolution directing that all subord nates in the various city departments remain in office until their successors are appointed and that they be kept at work, as far as pos and that help be kept at work, as far as pos-sible, in the departments into which the departments they are now employed are to be transformed, and be employed in the sec-tions of the new city in which they are now em-ployed. This action will be taken, the resolu-tion says, without creating any new offices. The old offices will be continued until appoint-ments shall be made under the new adminis-tration.

NO MURE SUNDAY REST FOR RAZORS Brooklyn Barber Shops Not to Use Their Sid

Doors After Consolidation. The employing Brooklyn barbers believe that the law permitting barber shops to keep open until 1 P. M. on Sundays in New York and Saratoga will apply in Brooklyn after consoli dation, and many of them notified their cus dation, and many of them notified their customers yesterday that their shops would be
open on Sundays.

A large number of the journeymen barbers
are pleased at the change, as now they will not
be so rushed with work on Saturday evenings.
Since the law closing the barber shops in all
the towns in the State except New York and
Saratogs went into effect many of the barber
shops in Brooklyn have had side doors like saloons for use on Sundays.

STREET SPRINKLERS OWE THE CITY cervice to He Cut Off Unless \$14,000 of Back Bents Is Paid To-Day.

Unless the \$14,000 which is due the city from the Street Sprinkling Association for six months water rents is paid to-day the service will be cut off and Corporation Counsel Scott will begin an action to recover the money. An act was passed by the Legislature in 1893 giving the concern the right to take water from the city hydrants for sprinkling purposes for \$2,333.33 a month.

FOR "GOOD DEMOCRATS." emeeratic Club Expects to Have Van Wyci

and Croker as New Year's Guests. The Democratic Club will hold a reception New Year's Day at the clubhouse, 617 Fifth midnight. All "good Democrats" are invited. The Mayor, Mr. Croker, and the heads of departments in the new city's Government are expected to be present to exchange congratulations. avenue, from 3 o'clock in the afternoon unti

Long Island City Defaults in Salaries. Long Island City defaulted yesterday in the payment of the overdue salaries of the city employees. School teachers, policemen, firemen, and other employees visited the office of City Treasurer Knapp during the day, but there was no money to pay their warrants. Deputy Treasurer Feisel said that there might be enough money on hand to-day to pay a part of the city's obligations. The negotiations for the sale of \$450,000 of revenue bonds, it was stated, had not been completed.

SALUZES TO THE NEW NEW YORK. The Mayer of the Prescipes to Raise the City's

Some additions have been made to the programme of the Journal's Greater New York elebration this evaning. Chief McCullagh has divided the line of march of the procession into three sections. Inspector McLaughlin will be in charge at Union square and the street, used above Fourteenth. From Fourteenth to Canal street Inspector Thompson will be in command and from Canal to Cortlandt Inspec tor Grant. Sergeant Gannon and a platoon of mounted police will head the procession and keep the way clear. After the procession bas passed in review it will march down to Fulton street, where it will begin to break up. Ser geant Wallace, with a platoon of mounted

street, where it will begin to break up. Sergeant Wallace, with a platoon of mounted police, will have charge of the breaking of the procession. He has been instructed to allow he organization to disband until it is two blocks from Broadway. This measure, it is thought, will prevent confusion.

City Hall Park will be kept clear of all except the members of the various singing societies and persons taking part in the exercises.

A novel feature of the celebration will be the raising of the New York municipal flag over the City Hall by the Mayor of San Francisco, more than 3,000 miles away. A system of weights has been placed in the cupola of the City Hall, which will be operated by electricity. There will be a direct wire running from the machine to Mayor Phelan's office in San Francisco. Another direct wire will run from Washington to his office. Washington will send him the correct time, and at the stroke of midnight, Eastern time, he will touch a key. Then electricity will release the weights and the flag will rise to the top of the pole.

At that moment thirty-seven searchilishts of 20,000 candle power on the buildings surrounding the park will throw their rays on the flag, and Wilson's battery of four field pleces, stationed at the north front of the Post Office, will fire a salute of 100 guns at intervals of fifteen seconds.

Following the Salute 500,38-inch bombs will

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Following the salute 500 36-inch bombs will be fired in rapid succession from twelve mortars, each of which weigh more than a ton. It was hoped that the Federal troops would fire a salute at the same time, but it was found that the regulations of the army forbade salutes between sunset and sunrise. Secretary of WarAlger has, however, ordered Maj. Gen. Merritt, commanding the Department of the East, to have a salute of 100 guns fired from Governor's Island at sunrise to-morrow.

Mayor Harrison and the Chicago delegation will arrive in this city at 7 o'clock this morning and will go to the Everett House. They bring with them the municipal flar of Chicago, a brand-new one, made especially for this occasion. To-night the flag will be placed beside a flag of New York to show the friend-ship that exists between the first and second cities of America.

FLUSHING CLOSES UP BUSINESS Two Franchises Granted-Trustees to Have

WHITESTONE, L. I., Dec. 30 .- In the few re maining hours of their official life the village trustees are working hard to settle up their affairs, and at a meeting held to-night two franchises were awarded, one to the Flushing Gas Light Company to lay mains in the village streets and one to the New York and North Shore Railway Company to extend its system of street roads through the village. The board

of street roads through the village. The board paid many claims against the village and did other business to place the records in shape to turn them over to the city officials.

The members of the board will have a dinner to-morrow night in the village hall. All the officials in the various departments of the village government have been invited.

The newly appointed village policemen are uneasy. The rumor that they will not be continued in their places after the first of the year is causing them considerable worry. Should they be ousted on Saturday each man will have earned less than \$30 since his appointment. The uniform and equipment coat each man over \$50. The men believed that under the provision of the new city's charter they would be consolidated with the city's police force.

SHERIFF-ELECT DUNN'S SLATE. Mulvaney Is to Be Under Sheriff and Pickett

Moone Ludlow Street Jail. Sheriff-elect Dunn announced yesterday th following appointments: Warden of Ludlow ex-Police Captain Patrick Pickett, the present Warden, salary \$3,000 a year.

Under Sheriff, Henry Mulvaney, salary \$5,000 Auditor. Edward H. Warker, salary \$2,860.
Arrest Clerk, George A. Weaver, salary \$1,500.
Deputies, Thomas A. Sullivan, Andrew Roberts, T. J. O'Donnell, Silas Straus, T. Halligan, J. T. Maguire, Martin Gilligan, Frank Rinn, J. T. Maguire, Martin Gilligan, Frank Rinn, Thomas Rudley, James Carragher, F. Walgering, and F. J. Burns.

Mr. Dunn also appointed George B. Gifford an assistant deputy at a salary of \$1,200; Charles F. Wells, law clerk, at \$2,160 a year, and James Richards messenger, at \$1,020 a year. D. J. Kelly and Michael O'Keefe were made prison guards and J. Finn keeper of Ludlow Street Jail. Auditor, Edward H. Warker, salary \$2,860

College Point's New Gas Contracts. COLLEGE POINT, L. I., Dec. 30 .- The Board of Trustees has signed contracts with the Welsch Street Lighting Company and the Flushing Electric Light and Power company for eighty seven are lights and 200 gas lamps. The lights will cost \$14,000 a year and the contracts are for five years. The bills will be presented to Greater New York for payment. The work of putting up the poles was started to-day.

THE FEAR OF ACETYLENE GAS fercey City Fire Commissioners to Make as Investigation.

The Jersey City Fire Commissioners will hold special meeting this evening to determine whether the use of acetylene gas shall be per mitted in dwelling houses, factories, and busi ness places in the city. In his search for places where the gas is being used Fire Marshal Conway has discovered that there are two kinds of acetylene. One is the liquefled gas which was made by the United States Liquefled Acety made by the United States Liquefied Acety-lene Distributing Company, whose works were blown up last Friday, killing two; men. The other is made at Niagara Falls, and Eugene Borneville of 32 Beacon avenue, the local agent, says it is not dangerous. It is brought from Niagara Falls in hermetically sealed cans, and used for illuminating pur-poses in gas machines manufactured by Borne-ville. Until the Fire Board acts the use of gas machines will not be permitted. The board will probably consult expert chemists.

OBITUARY.

Isaac R. Green, the Nestor of the Louisville. Ky., bar, died of old age yesterday. He was 97 years old and until two years ago kept up his practice. He was born in Cambridge, Washing practice. He was born in Cambridge, Washington county, N. Y. In 1829 he went to Hilmons and later to Missouri. In 1833 he went to Kentucky, settling in Louisville. During the war of 1812 he ran away from home to serve as a drummer boy, but his father caught him before he reached the army. He served in the Black Hawk war, being a messmate of Abraham Lincoln. He used to tell of games of quoits he played with Lincoln at that time.

Mrs. Sarah Cayandish Payton.

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Mrs. Sarah Cavendish Paxton, widow of Capt.
Joseph R. Paxton of the United States Army
and mother of Capt. Alexis R. Paxton of
the United States Army, now on duty with the
National Guard of Pennsylvania, died auddenly
yesterday at the residence of her son in Harrisburg. Mrs. Paxton was about 65 years old, and
had been an invalid for many years. She was
the youngest daughter of Capt. Job Whipple, descendant of a noted family of seamon who dwelt
for many generations at Salem, Ipswich, and
Danvers, Mass.

Edward S, Scranton, formerly a well-known

Danvers, Mass.

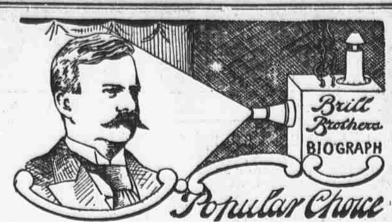
Edward S. Scranton, formerly a well-known banker of New Haven, died suddenly on Wednesday in Philadelphia, where he went to reside a few years ago. He was born in Madison, Conn., and was 58 years of sgc. He belonged to the well-known Scranton banking family, who have been for nearly half a century prominent in New Haven banking and commercial affairs. His brother, Charles W. Scranton, is still in the banking business in that city. John Ryan of Jersey City died on Wednesday. John Ryan of Jersey City died on Wednesday night at his home, 283 Second street, of age and general debility. He was in his eighty-fifth year. He came to this country from Ireland more than sixty years ago. He engaged in the milk business, and retired thirty years ago after acquiring a competence.

Mr. Henry Alagworth, father of the Henry Linewick.

Mr. Henry Ainsworth, father of the Hon, Danforth E. Ainsworth, Deputy State Superin-tendent of Public Instruction, died in Sandy Creek, Oswego county, yesterday. He was 86 years of age, and was formerly an active ship-builder.

Bamuel A. Edgerley died at his home, 183 De Kalb avenue, Brooklyn, on Wednesday, 61 Fears old. The funeral services will be held at the Hanson Place Methodist Church at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning. Annie Helgans, the wife of Alderman elect Elias Helgans of Brooklys, died on Tuesday at ser home in Van Biclen and Belmont avenues, n her thirty-fifth year. John Cinnamon, a retired provision merchani died yesterday at his home in New Brighton, S I. He was 68 years old.

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NOTICE.—To-night, about 71 o'clock, from City Hall Park, we will send up five Fire Balloons—one for each of the five new Boroughs. To each Balloon will be attached a tag, the finder of which will, upon presentation at either of our four stores, within a week, be given an excellent overcoat valued at \$10.

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211 Sixth Ave., near 14th St. 125th St., cor. 3d Ave.

KURTE'S WAR ON HANNA. Both Sides Assert Confidence, but Give He Figures.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 30,-The Senatorial and legislative situation here to-night is more mixed than it was yesterday. The Hanna supporters and the opposition both assert confidence, but neither side is willing to stand responsible for figures. It appears to-night however, that four Democratic represents tives and two Democratic Senators canno be controlled by the Hanna opposition These members are Representatives Stuers, Hyde, Goard, Wylie, and Senators Valentine and Kennon. Mr. Kurtz, Hanna's enemy, has openly allied himself with the Democrats. His beadquarters are the rooms adjoining the apartments in the Great Southern Hotel occu pled by Allen O. Myers, and this fact is having its effect.

There was one important desertion to-day from the anti-Hanna ranks. Representative Redkey of Highland countr, who was looked upon as a sure anti-Hauna man, declared him-self for Hanna. He said: "I will vote for Mr. Hanna for United States

This takes away one vote from the Kurtz party, but the Kurtz managers say to-night that they have fifteen Republican votes. This is a gain of two votes since last night. It must be remembered, however, that no names are given a manager of the comments of remembered, however, that no names are given out. Some specific facts came out to-day. Representative Bromley, a Republican, called upon Mr. Boxwell, the Hanna candidate for Speaker of the House, and said that he would vote for Mason, the anti-Hanna Republican candidate, for Speaker, and that he and Representatives Mason and Jones would stay away from the Republican Senatorial caucus. Mr. Hanna, who had intended to appear on the scene on Sunday, will come here to-morrow.

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Mr. Kurtz refuses to make any statements. Democratio members, however, among them Senators John C. L. Pugh and Cromley and a dozen Representatives, say they are willing to vote for combination candidates for the two Senatorial terms, the short and the long, if the Republican voters recognize the Democrats in the organization of the Senate. The Democrats demand that they have the organization of the Senate and that a free silver man be elected for the short term in the United States Senate. This free silver man would probably be ex-Congressman McClure The long-term man would be Gov. Bushnell, who has privately given his consent to the use The long-term man would be Gov. Bushnell who has privately given his consent to the use of his name. There has been talk of Kurtz for the short term.

JUDGE DAY STARTS FOR OHIO. His Mission, It Is Believed, Is to Aid Hanns

in His Fight for the Senatorship. WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.-Judge William R. Day Assistant Secretary of State, left Washington for his home in Canton, O., to-night, and it has called him away is the caucus of the Repub lican members of the Ohio Legislature on Satur day night to decide on a successor to Senator Hanna. Judge Day said he would return to Washington on Sunday. He declined to say whether politics had anything to do with his trip. Judge Day is looked upon in Washington as the personal representative of President Mc-Kinley in Ohio affairs. They are intimate friends and were neighbors in Canton, and proof of the high regard in which the President holds the Assistant Secretary has been given in the offer to make him Attorney-General and in placing him in charge of Cuban matters and all questions concerning the relations of the United States and Spain. President McKinley has the interests of Senator Hanna at heart, and will use all his influence to secure his return to the Senate. With Judge Day on the ground as his personal representative, the chances of Mr. Hanna might be decidedly improved, although there is a belief in official circles, which is shared by Mr. McKinley, that Mr. Hanna will win, day night to decide on a successor to Senato

Col. A. R. Lamb for Judge Tennoy's Place. The nine members of the Republican City Committee, which was appointed to supervise the affairs of the Republican organization in the borough of Brooklyn, have unanimously in-dorsed Col. A. E. Lumb for the vacancy on the United States District Court caused by the death of Judge Asa W. Tenney. Col. Lamb was long a partner with Justice Jesse Johnson, and is a stalwart Republican.

upon the perfect acwith her physical being. All the and marriage and motherhood have corresponding physical attributes in the delicate special organism of her sex. If these intricate functions are disturbed by weakness and discontinuous and discontinuous are discontinuous and discontinuous are discontinuous and discontinuous are discontinuous and discontinuous are discontinuous ar

her whole nature is out of tune. More women's lives are made discordant and full of suffering from this one cause than there is any need of. These delicate complaints are not a necessity of womanhood, nor is it necessary for modest women to undergo the repugnant and generally useless methods of treatment so common with physicians.

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DERISIVE CAT STARTS WAR.

TRIES TO MAKE THE ISAACSES AND

Independent Williamsburg Tom Who Scorns the Human Race, Steals Ment, and Draws the Enemy's Fire at Inopportune Moments - The Resulting Casualties, The exceeding haughty demeanor of a Wil-

lamsburg tomcat, according to the testimony offered before Justice Kramer in the Lee Avenue Court yesterday, has brought sorrow, disfigurement, and rancor into two hitherto peaceful families. The cat is the property of neither family. He is a gaunt freebooter that, in the adventurous spirit that possesses so many cats that come to maturity, scorns human ownership. He knows neither affection nor fear. He regards men noisy, stone-throwing incidents in a serene, self-confident, reasonable cat-life. In his philosophy women are accounted useful inventions in so far as they cast food out of windows, but they have a fantastic and meaningless habit of shaking their skirts and saying "scat." The real object of existence in his scheme of life is to sleep by day and to hunt and sing by night.

He is known as the North Ninth Street Tom. He has spoiled the temper of every woman on the block between Kent and Wythe avenues. He is blamed for late dinners, rainy wash days and cake that refuses to rise. If they remembered "Pinafore" over there, they would sing with Mr. Gilbert "It is the cat." But as it is they speak the words with bitterness and ornate amplification. Their feeling is not unreasonable. How is a lady to peel vegetables properly when she knows that the steak, in its storage box on the fire escape, is likely to be anatched by North Ninth Street Tom if her back

is turned for five consecutive minutes. Mrs. Isaacs, who lives at No. 77, near Wythe avenue, has been his victim several times. She has hurled wet dishrags and even tin pans at the malignant beast without interfering with his predatory triumphs. Day before yesterday he took a tenderion steak that Mrs. Isaacs had put under an extra heavy box, weighted down with two flatirons. Mrs. Isaacs heard the crash of the falling irons and saw Tom's mangy brown flanks dash across the fire-escape. She was lifting a stewpan full of boiling water from the stove at the time. She took three steps across the room and cast stewpan, water, and all out into a cat-infeated world.

A wild shrick from below followed. For a moment Mrs. Isaacs was beside herself with joy. But in a moment the shrick became articulate speech and assumed the tone of voice of Mrs. Florence Clay, a comely young woman who lives a floor above the Isaacs family. She came right up from the street to the Isaacs flat and talked to Mrs. Isaacs, and displayed a steaming and witted hat and a scalded hand. Mrs. Isaacs, angered by the loss of both steak and revenge, talked have. Wythe avenue, has been his victim several

came right up from the street to the Isaacs flat and talked to Mrs. Isaacs, and displayed a steaming and wilted hat and a scalded hand, Mrs. Isaacs, angered by the loss of both steak and revenge, talkee back. There was little of sympathy or repentance in what Mrs. Isaacs said, and Mrs. Clay went her way to her spartments cherishing unpleasant thoughts of Mrs. Isaacs said, and Mrs. Clay went her way to her spartments cherishing unpleasant thoughts of Mrs. Isaacs as a markswoman and of North Ninth Street Tom as a disturber of the peace.

Yesterday, so Mrs. Clay avers, her wrath against Mrs. Isaacs had altogether melted away. In its place had come a bitter hatred of away. In its place had come a bitter hatred of away. In its place had come is bitter hatred of the cat. She determined to kill the creature if ever it came within her range. Even as she leaned on the window sill, turning over these things in her bruised heart, lo, North Ninth Street Tom ambied stealthily out from the door of the house into the street beneath. There was a beer bottle on the window beside Mrs. Clay. She hurled it. The cat stepped a pace to one side, jumped up two feet in the air, and unscathed came down on the sidewalk on the clinking fragments of the bottle. He cast up a malevolent eye at Mrs. Clay and ambied on.

Now Mr. Isaacs had been leaning out of his window, doubliess intent on the cat, at the moment when Mrs. Clay's beer bottle fell. Of course, Mrs. Clay had not seen Mr. Isaacs's head sticking out of the window, or she would not have come so near braining him as she did. As a matter of fact he nearly brained himself dodging the bottle. When he had ceased to rub his head he told Mrs. Isaacs's head of the window and exchanged much sprightly repartee with Mrs. Clay. Mrs. Isaacs and three clinkings to Mrs. Clay's one, but Mrs. Clay's thoughts were so weighted with intense feeling that Mrs. Isaacs's one, but Mrs. Clay's nearly and hasted away to Justice Kramer's Court. There she obtained a summons for Mrs. Isaacs to answer a charge of

answer a charge of "using unladyline languages".

Mr. Isaacs answered the summons in person.
He said that Mrs. Isaacs was too ill to come to court, but that there wasn't any truth in the charge that she had not speken nicely of Mrs. Clay. In somewhat illogical proof whereof he exhibited fragments of the broken beer bottle and said that Mrs. Clay had sought to do him death with the same. The Justice adjourned the case until Mrs. Isaacs should be able to appear. appear.

Meanwhile the cat spends most of his time on
the fence over the way, cleaning his whiskers
and reflecting on many thing

Killed While on His Way to Germany, ALTOONA, Dec. 30.—Adam Pfeffer, a passenger n the Atlantic ex press, Pennsylvania Railroad, with a ticket for New York and a first-class steamship passage to Hamburg, became violently insane on the train this morning after leaving Pittsburg and terrorized the other passengers with a revolver and knife. At Conemaugh to leaped through the car window and was ground to pieces under a locomotive.

Insanity Attributed to Cigarettes. John Foy, 20 years old, of 55 Rose street, was locked up last night in the Oak street police station for beating his sister. He is apparently insane, and his mental disturbance is attributed to smoking cigarettes excessively.

Alabama Populists Want a Straight Ticket. BIRMINGHAM. Ala., Dec. 30.—The State Ex-ecutive Committee of the Populists has issued a call for a State Convention to put out a straight ticket.

SPARKS FROM THE TELEGRAPH. The Farmers and Traders' State Bank of Oskaloosa, In, has gone into voluntary insulation and all de-positors will be paid.

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The State Commissioners of the Land Office have denied the application of Jeremiah Evarts Tracy for a grant of land under water fronting his property in Castictos, on Staten Island. The land in questions now occupied by the Staten Island Hand Transit Railroad Company, which claims title under the Gov. Tompins grant of 1816.

A general assignment of Heary H. Bell's Sons, manufacturers of elderdown goods at Milton and Pough keepsle, was fied in the County Ciera's office in Foughkeepsle yesterday. M. Warter Platzek of 432 Fifth avenue, New York, is the assignee. The courpany has a capital stock of \$150,000 and was incomporated in 1898.